Notice of Public Hearing for Proposed Wetland Individual Permit

The Village of DeForest, 306 DeForest St, Deforest, WI 53532 has applied to the Department of Natural Resources for a permit for wetland fill or disturbance near Yahara River.

The project is located in the SE1/4 of the SE1/4 of Section 19, Township 9 North, Range 10 East, Village of Deforest, Dane County.

The Village of DeForest proposes to construct a bridge across the Yahara River along with a culvert and associated wetland impact. The purpose of the project is to provide a secondary access point into the Conservancy Place Development. The need for the project is to improve emergency access response time for emergency services to residents and businesses within the development. It will also serve as an alternative route to provide these emergency services to other areas in the community outside of Conservancy Place.

The Department will review the proposal provided by the applicant and any information from public comments and the public informational hearing. The Department will determine whether the proposal complies with ss. 1.11 and 281.36, 401 CWA, Stats., and ch. NR 150, Wis. Adm. Code, and ensure that the required mitigation meets the standards in s. 281.36(3r), Stats. if the project impacts wetlands.

If you would like to know more about this project or would like to see the application and plans, please visit the Department's permit tracking website at https://permits.dnr.wi.gov/water/SitePages/Permit%20Search.aspx and search for WP-IP-SC-2016-13-X11-08T17-25-50.

Reasonable accommodation, including the provision of informational material in an alternative format, will be provided for qualified individuals with disabilities upon request.

The Department has scheduled a public informational hearing on your proposal for Thursday, January 19th, 2017 at 5pm to be located in the Village meeting room in the Village Hall, 120 S Stevenson Street, Village of DeForest.

The Department scheduled a public hearing on this activity or project because the Department received a request for a public hearing. The hearing will be a public informational hearing where members of the public can learn more about the proposed activity and submit written or oral comments about the waterway and project in light of the legal standards above. Any member of the public may submit written comments by emailing wendy.peich@wisconsin.gov or writing to Wendy Peich, 3911 Fish Hatchery Road, Fitchburg,

WI 53711 by U.S. mail. Comments should include the docket number or applicant name, and should relate to whether the project meets the legal standards listed above. Comments must be postmarked no later than 10 days after the date that the public informational hearing is completed in order for them to be considered.

The final decision may be appealed as indicated in the permit decision document.

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